Conservation of Udaipur lakes

†*417. DR. PRABHA THAKUR:
SHRI SANTOSH BAGRODIA:

Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have accorded technical approval to the proposed scheme of 111 crore rupees for conservation of historical Pichola, Fatehsagar and Swarupsagar lakes of Udaipur under the National Lake Conservation Scheme of the Central Government;

(b) if so, when sanction was accorded and the date on which the work under this scheme is targeted to commence:

(c) whether the State Government of Rajasthan have submitted any proposal to Government for conservation of these lakes of Udaipur; and

(d) if so, the decision of the Government on the proposal?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS (SHRI NAMO NARAIN MEENA): (a) No, Sir.

(b) Does not arise.

(c) and (d) The State Government had sent certain information on eight lakes including three lakes in Udaipur indicating a tentative cost of Rs. 320.40 crore for their conservation works but no Detailed Project Reports were submitted. Further, the State Government had requested for release of funds for preparation of detailed project reports for Pichola, Swarupsagar and Fatehsagar lakes of Udaipur. Certain clarifications have been sought from the State Government, which are awaited.

Protest against Import of Wheat and its MSP

*418. SHRI VARINDER SINGH BAJWA: Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government are aware that some farmers' organizations in Punjab prevented ryots from selling their produce in markets across the State recently in protest against import of wheat and lower minimum support price for the foodgrains;